



ADC Top Ten Improvements, FY 2003 – FY 2008

Public Safety Now, and Later

ADC is more effective

1. Institutional violence is down

- Inmate on inmate assaults decreased 46% from 27 per 1000 (798) in FY 2003 to 14.3 per 1000 (542) in FY 2008
- Inmate on staff assaults decreased 41% from 8 per 1000 (239) in FY 2003 to 4.7 per 1000 (178) in FY 2008
- Confirmed sexual assaults dropped 61% from .67 per 1000 (20) in FY 2003 to .26 per 1000 (10) in FY 2008

2. Host communities are safer

- Over 1,500 offenders who completed *Getting Ready* and were released over the past two years, had 35% fewer new crimes and 5% less revocations than inmates of comparable risk who had not participated
- Significant reductions in recidivism were evidenced irrespective of participating inmates a-priori level of risk
- Reductions in recidivism and revocations represent a 26,000 bed-day savings to date, a \$1.6 million cost avoidance
- A substantial reduction in recidivism is associated with Parallel Universe, the unique pro-social environment, in which inmates acquire then apply problem-solving skills obtained in prison. The qualitative aspect to *Getting Ready* that is missing in the traditional prison environment targets criminogenic needs continuously and not just during time at work and in treatment.

3. Inmate grievances and new law suit filings cut

- Inmate grievances are down 29% from 126.3 per 1000 (3,778) in FY 2003 to 89.9 per 1000 (3,407) in FY 2008
- Inmate grievances (medical) down 24% from 25.2 per 1000 (754) in FY 2003 to 19.2 per 1000 (728) in FY 2008
- Inmate lawsuits about conditions are down 63% from 10.6 per 1000 (316) FY 2003 to 3.9 per 1000 (148) FY 2008

4. Inmates readied for World of Work

- All inmates who were not grade-8 proficient are enrolled, almost 4,700 achieved grade-8 proficiency in FY 2008 and 2,956 inmates earned a GED representing a 274% increase from 791 in FY 2003 to 2,956 in FY 2008.
- 13,917 inmates earned General Education Diplomas between FY 2004-2008
- ADC inmates accounted for 22.3% of all GED issued in Arizona between FY 2004 and FY 2008
- 13,795 inmates completed jobs training in 16 career tracks FY 2004-FY 2008 with 3,137 completions in FY 2008
- 74% of inmate population was gainfully employed in FY 2008

5. Relapse to drug/alcohol use down

- Positive urinalysis results down 9% from 34.8 per 1000 (1,037) in FY 2003 to 31.5 per 1000 (1,721) in FY 2008
- 10,307 inmates completed substance abuse services in FY 2008

6. Crime Victim Notifications, Compensation and Restitution better

- Court-ordered restitution resolved increased 14% per inmate between FY 2004 and FY 2008
- Inmate voluntary contributions to crime victim organizations reached \$574,733 in FY 2008; since FY 2004 inmates have donated \$1,424,658 in cash and in-kind contributions
- Release notifications sent to 3,904 crime victims in FY 2008; 19,469 notifications completed to date
- Release notifications sent to 53,189 agencies FY 2008; 253,010 notifications sent FY 2004–FY 2008

ADC is more efficient

7. Population management improved

- 1,647 criminal aliens eligible for deportation transferred to ICE per MOU, generated a 345,148 bed days saving, a cost avoidance of \$21,309,438 from its inception in FY 2006 – FY 2008
- Effective population management maximized state bed utilization reducing reliance on more expensive private prison beds, reducing spending in FY 2008 by \$9.5 million

8. Inmate health care spending reduced

- New contracts with a tiered-service payment structure cut hospital bed cost by \$765,596 in FY 2008
- Ground and air transport rates renegotiated, lowering emergency medical travel spending \$1,635,486 in FY 2008

9. Staff recruitment/retention efforts raised staffing levels and lowered turnover

- Corrections Officer II vacancy rate reduced 16.23% from 20.46% in FY 2006 to 4.23% in FY 2008
- Corrections Officer II turnover rate reduced 12.5% from 27.5% in FY 2004 to 15.0% in FY 2008
- Retention efforts averted 96 resignations in FY 2008 avoiding \$3,103,968 in recruitment and training costs, an additional 132 resignations rescinded yielding a cost avoidance of \$4,234,956 FY 2007–FY 2008
- Newly established ADC Military Support Group provides outreach to 2,337 veterans employed by ADC

10. ADC is a great neighbor

- 15 wild land fire/brush abatement crews of 285 inmates responded to 64 fires in 14 counties in FY 2008, total fire/brush abatement hours equaled 292,525 a cost avoidance of \$3,134,710. Since FY 2004, crews generated \$12.3 million in cost avoidance
- 204 inmates on ADOT work crews provided 231,413 hours in FY 2008, a cost avoidance of \$1.4 million
- 91 City/County IGA agreements deployed 1,236 inmates to 37 communities in FY 2008 providing 1.38 million hours of community service, a cost avoidance of \$8.7 million to Arizona taxpayers
- Inmates assigned to MVD Call Centers worked 126,640 hours in FY 2008, a \$725,377 cost savings. Since FY 2004, a cost savings of \$3 million accrued to taxpayers.